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Name of institution.	Number of orphans.
(6) Valluvar Gurukulam, Kadaperi, Tambaram	48
(7) St. Mary's Convent, Vellore	4
(8) Don Bosco Orphanage, Vellore	10
(9) S.G.P. Mission Orphanage, Muddanur, Cuddapah ..	3
(10) Methodist Mission Girls School, Royapeta	1
(11) Ramakrishna Mission Students' Home, Mylapore ..	1
(12) Madras Hindu Sevak Sangh	18
(13) Stanes European High School, Coimbatore	4

" (c) The Government are assisting the orphanages and institutions by the payment of contribution of Rs. 16 per mensem per orphan which includes expenditure on medicine and clothing, but not schooling charges which are given separately.

" (d) The Protector of Emigrants, Madras, and the District Labour Officers in the mufassal have been directed to inspect the orphanages once a quarter and submit reports about the welfare of the orphans. Collectors also inspect the orphanages occasionally.

" (e) No specific instances have been brought to the notice of Government except that two girls in the Avai Home and Orphanage, Adyar, wanted to get married. One was assisted to marry and was discharged from the house. The other case is being examined. The scheme for the long-term maintenance of orphans, would provide also for the settlement of the refugee orphan girls.

" (f) The question of the future of the orphans has already been taken up for consideration by the Government of India and they propose to introduce a scheme for the long-term maintenance of refugee orphans from Burma, Malaya, etc. When the scheme is introduced, it will provide for the education, marriage, adoption and disposal of property, etc., and thus enable them to settle in life."

SRI K. MADHAVA MENON :—" May I know from the Hon. Minister whether the Government will be pleased to extend these concessions to the orphans of the victims of cholera and smallpox which ravaged Malabar in the year 1943? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" The hon. Member may put a separate question about it."

SRI B. BHEEMA RAO :—" May I know whether in the case of students studying in colleges, hostel accommodation is provided? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I take it that the reference is to the orphans among the evacuees from Burma and Malaya. I want notice."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know, Sir, whether the Government get any contribution from the Government of India towards the maintenance of these orphans or whether this Government bears the whole cost? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" A separate question may be framed and notice given."

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SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I ask whether the Government have received complaints saying that the rates of grant now given are not enough as everything has to be found for these orphans? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" Not that I am aware of ; but I take the information from the hon. Member."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*d*), may I know who looks into the complaints received? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" The Government of Madras, and the Government of India, if necessary."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I suggest to the Hon. Minister the advisability of transferring control to an officer like the Commissioner of Labour who is already empowered to distribute boarding grants for children of eligible communities? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" The Government will consider it."

SRI B. BHEEMA RAO :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*e*) may I know whether arrangements for marriage will be made for those girls who want to get married? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" I have already answered the question."

K. T. M. AHMED IBRAHIM SAHIB BAHADUR :—" Will the Hon. Minister be pleased to state whether complaints have been received from the various organizations regarding the need for walking long distances in the absence of vehicles and waiting sometimes for days at the offices spending a large portion of the allowance in order to receive the grants? "

THE HON. SRI V. V. GIRI :—" The Government are not aware of the difficulties. But, since the complaint has been made I shall enquire into the matter."

Convictions of certain persons in connexion with the cremation of a Harijan child in Madura.

* 8 Q.—SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—Will the Hon. the Minister for Law be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether Thangaswami Samban and Kandaswami Samban of Madura were convicted for cremating a Harijan child in a portion of Madura Municipal Crematorium ;

(*b*) whether the Government have passed orders remitting the unexpired portion of the sentences ; and

(*c*) whether the Government have under consideration an amendment of the Removal of Civil Disabilities Act, 1938, to remove such anomalies which impose civil disabilities on the Harijans?

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" (*a*) Yes, in a portion said to be reserved for the Caste Hindus.

" (*b*) Yes.

" (*c*) There is a proposal to amend the Act; but the exact form of the amendment has not been decided upon."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*a*), may I know whether there are separate enclosures in the Crematorium for Caste Hindus and others?"

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" That is what I understand from the facts of the case."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know what reasons the Government had for remitting the sentence?"

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" They thought that the sentence was too heavy."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" May I know whether in the opinion of the Government it is the heaviness of the sentence that counts so much and not whether the individual concerned deserves to be convicted at all?"

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" These comparative considerations do not enter into the mind of the Government."

SRI B. BHEEMA RAO :—" May I know whether the Government were aware of the facts of the case before the prosecution was launched in Court?"

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" The case came to the notice of the Government only after the appeal was decided."

SRI B. BHEEMA RAO :—" May I know whether the Government will make a provision to the effect that such extraordinary cases should only be started after consultation with the Law Officers of the Crown?"

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" I do not know what 'extraordinary cases' mean. That term may have first to be defined."

SRI R. SURYANARAYANA RAO :—" With reference to the answer to clause (*c*), may I ask why Government take so much time to amend a small section of the Removal of Disabilities Act, 1938?"

THE HON. SRI K. BHASHYAM :—" It is not a small amendment. If the hon. Member has any suggestion to make for the amendment of the Act I shall consider it."

Revenue from temples and mutts in the Presidency.

* 9 *Q.*—SRI D. MANJAYYA HEGDE :—" Will the Hon. the Minister for Hindu Religious Endowments be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the total revenue derived from temples and mutts in the Presidency for 1944–45;